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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Secretary Rogers

1. At the DCI's request I called upon Mr. Rogers today to seek his views on intelligence support to his office.

2. Mr. Rogers professed himself generally satisfied with arrangements. He felt himself well-served by [] as the NIO, and by [] as the DDO Division Chief.

3. Mr. Rogers stressed the importance to him of longer-term analysis and speculation, and the relative unimportance of day-to-day reporting of events. He feels that [] is able to supply this sort of analysis. He is not interested in where Marengo draws it from, but is fully aware that it comes primarily from CIA. He does not feel that INR has been able to respond to his needs.

4. He is normally not concerned about the presence of the Community label on a document, but in certain cases, e.g., Panama Canal negotiations, he believes the Community or consensus label to be essential for political reasons.

5. Substantively, he believes Agency analysis to be excellent, with the notable exception of Cuba. Here he believes it has fallen short, particularly on the question of the relative Cuban and Soviet roles in the Angolan intervention. He would like to see the techniques of Soviet political analysis applied to Cuban politics.

6. Unlike Mr. Schaufele, Mr. Rogers recognizes the NIO rather than the DDO Division Chief as the path to CIA's analytic resources. He has had no contact, however, with the management of those resources and seems quite unaware of what or who they are.

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